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MATT. 28:19.

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### CLOSING PROGRAM of THE CHURCH OF GOD BIBLE TRAINING SCHOOL SEVEIRVILLE, TENN.

May 24, 11:00 A. M., Baccalaureate Sermon—Speaker,  
The Rev. J. H. Walker, General  
Overseer of the Church of God.

May 26, 7:30 P. M., The Annual Musical Recital.

May 27, 7:30 P. M., The Annual Musical Program.

May 28, 10:00 A. M., The Commencement Address —  
Speaker, The Rev. E. M. Tapley,  
member of Bible Training School  
Board of Directors.

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May 28, 7:30 P. M., The Regular School Play.

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### THE GROUND OF

EPH. 2:20

1TIM. 3:15

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"My son, forget not my law; but let thine heart keep my commandments:  
For length of days, and long life, and peace, shall they add to thee."—Prov.  
3:1, 2.

May 16, 1942

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## Notices

### Interest in the Soldiers

The Miami Church of God wishes to volunteer personal interest in our soldiers who from the many congregations throughout the nation are now stationed at Miami Beach. Please give us the name and address of any soldier, member, friend or relative stationed at Miami Beach, and we will call on him.—D. L. Lemons, 865 N. W. 29th Terrace, Miami, Florida.

### Wanted—For State Work

A 40x60 tent, new or used; must be in grade A condition. Give full particulars, including price in first letter. State whether you will pay the transportation charges or we pay them.—Clyde C. Cox, state overseer, Box 387, Hattiesburg, Miss.

NEW ADDRESS—My new address is Box 707, Clovis, Calif.—Rev. T. D. Jones.

### Wonderful Revival

COMBS, Ky.—We are reporting a wonderful two weeks' revival conducted by the writer at Rockhouse, Kentucky, which closed Sunday, April 26. There were twelve saved, nine sanctified, eight baptized with the Holy Ghost, and eight baptized in water. The Lord blessed in a gracious way. People came from miles around by cars, trucks, on horseback and on foot to enjoy the blessings of the Holy Ghost as He came in our midst each night. Sister Catherine Saylors, the leader, is doing a good work in a needy place. We certainly enjoyed working with her and the other good saints of God.—Rev. J. David Pitts.

### OLD SONG BOOKS WANTED

If you have any old song books which are not prized beyond your separation, let us have them. Obviously these old editions published prior to 1920 and on back to 1870 can be useful to our music department.

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## Weekly Question Box

**Question:** Please explain Matt. 22:11. Will there be good and bad people in the Lord's kingdom, and does this mean the marriage supper? How did this man get there?—J. B.

**Answer:** In order to properly understand parables which Christ spoke to the people, it must be noticed that they are kingdom parables and this one, as are the many others, was spoken directly to the Jews. The invitation to the kingdom and to participate in it had been extended to the Jews. Christ came as the King and they rejected Him, and that is what this parable teaches as it sets Him forth as a king's son. The rejection on the part of the Jews opens up the gospel to the Gentiles who have been termed foreigners and even dogs. See Matt. 15:26, 27. The good and bad has reference to the Jews and Gentiles and sets them forth more as they are viewed by the Jews. The man who tried to get in without the wedding garment symbolizes the hypocrites, those to whom Jesus spoke at various times whose religion was a religion of works. These tried to get into the kingdom on their good works rather than an acceptance of Christ. The place where the king scrutinizes the guests is in the guest chamber and not at the marriage supper. It is here in this world that we get ready for the marriage supper and any detection of our hypocrisy will be made before leaving here. Such is certainly set forth in this parable. This parable is also

parallel with the parable of the ten virgins. There were those whose lights went out because they had failed to replenish their oil. This the Jews did, hence their rejection by the Christ, because they had rejected Him.

**Question:** Is Judas the son of perdition that we read of in 2 Thess. 2:3, 4? In St. John 17:12 he is called the son of perdition.—Mrs. D. N.

**Answer:** Because of the similarity in expressions, some have thought that the man of sin, or antichrist, would be Judas Iscariot raised from the dead, possibly because they are the only two parties in the Bible referred to as "son of perdition." But the word "perdition" is used elsewhere and it is always used to portray a lost and ruined condition, as Judas who had sold his Lord. In Phil. 1:28, Paul described the adversaries of Christianity as being a token to some that they were ruined or in perdition, but, said he, "to you of salvation." In 1 Tim. 6:9 the apostle speaks of falling into many foolish and hurtful lusts which drown men in destruction and perdition. Heb. 10:39 speaks of drawing back to perdition, and 2 Peter 3:7 tells of the perdition of ungodly men. So all of those who turn their backs on God and are lost and ruined, become sons of perdition. Any inference drawn from the word "perdition" in connection with Judas and the antichrist are insufficient to identify them as the same party.

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### THE FIRST STATE CONVENTION THIS YEAR

Given below is the telegram received from Rev. Earl P. Paulk, Second Assistant General Overseer, giving a report of the Arizona state convention, at Phoenix, Arizona, the first state convention to be held this year:

"A great convention. Extraordinary attendance. Orphanage offering, \$60.73. Mission offering, \$186.98. Thirty joined Church, nine of which were ministers. It was indeed wonderful. — Earl P. Paulk."

May 4, 7:36 a. m.



# A Blitzkrieg From Heaven

If this is not a blitzkrieg, then the world has never witnessed one and never shall. The word "blitzkrieg" has come to you in recent months. It, of course, refers to something that is done with amazing speed.

The blitzkrieg from Germany and Japan is quite different. I have in mind another word which sounds something like blitzkrieg, and must be used when speaking of the lightning thrusts made by Germany and Japan. It is the word "intrigue." The blitzkrieg from Germany and Japan was successful at first because of the intrigue of them. The word "intrigue" means a secret plot, conspiracy, deception, or, if you please, it means a "fifth column" at work. Germany and Japan had placed men in countries and islands who were working secretly to overcome the government of the countries.

How very different from the blitzkrieg from heaven. It has been known to the world for nearly two thousand years. God has sent prophets, great reformers, Bible teachers, evangelists and pastors into the countries of the world to warn the people to prepare for the blitzkrieg, so as not to be caught asleep.

The dictators do not do things that way. They secretly plan a blitzkrieg and send plotters ahead to deceive and mislead the people that they might be caught in the blitzkrieg.

The day is soon coming when there will be a great blitzkrieg from heaven. It is mentioned in the Bible several times. Joel 3:2, "I will also gather all nations and will bring them down into the valley of Jehoshaphat, and will plead with them there for my people and for my heritage Israel, whom they have scattered among the nations, and parted my land." The name "Jehoshaphat" or "Esdraelon" is taken from the Hebrew word "Jezreel." This valley lies on the southern rim of the plain of Esdraelon and extends across central Palestine from the Mediterranean to the Jordan, separating the mountain ranges of Carmel and Samaria. This is the place where most of the great battles of Israel were fought and where the great blitzkrieg from heaven will take place.

Joel 2:11, "And the Lord shall utter his voice before his army; for he is strong that executeth his word: for the day of the Lord is great and very terrible, and who can abide it?" The world has never witnessed a blitzkrieg like this

By C. C. Messer

Text: Revelation 19:11-15, "And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war. His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself. And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood; and his name is called The Word of God. And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God."

one before. Jesus, the Son of God, will be the Captain of this battle, and thank God, He has never lost one yet.

Zechariah 14:4 says He comes to the Mount of Olives, and when he touches it with His feet, the mountain separates; part moves to the west and part to the east. That is something the dictators have never done. They have to march their armies around the mountains.

He will not only cause mountains to break in two, but He will pass right through the east gate of Jerusalem, which is sealed up with stone and mortar. He will command the stone and mortar to move out of the pass, or use the power of the fourth dimension and pass right through it. We are not told. I do

## Healed of Cancer

CRESCENT, Okla.—I praise God for victory over sin and the devil. I know what it is to live in sin and what it is to live for God. I started drinking when I was seventeen and was a drunkard until I was thirty. I smoked cigarettes, would get up in the night and roll them and go to bed and smoke them. I chewed tobacco and used God's name in vain and did anything the devil wanted me to do, but praise the Lord He saved me and filled me with the Holy Ghost and the devil and all my habits are gone and He has healed my body many times. He healed my body of stomach and kidney trouble

know, however, that He is coming in power and great glory and everything that is in His way will be swept aside and the enemy will be destroyed in the greatest blitzkrieg the world has ever known.

John, in his vision, said he saw Jesus coming on a white horse to judge and make war. His eyes were as a flame of fire and the armies of heaven followed Him on white horses. Then in Rev. 14:20, he said the wine press was trodden without the city, and blood came out of the wine press even unto the horses' bridles by the space of sixteen hundred furlongs, which means that the blood will actually flow for a distance of one hundred and eighty-four miles. Talk about a blitzkrieg, brother, this will really be one.

Ezekiel 39:12 says Israel will be seven months burying the dead. Then in Rev. 11:15, we hear the victory cry go up as a great voice in heaven rings out, saying, "The kingdoms of the world have become the kingdoms of our Lord and of our Christ, and he shall reign forever and ever." The blitzkrieg is over and Christ has won.

Oh, glory to God, I can almost hear the saints rejoicing as old Lucifer is shut up in the bottomless pit for a thousand years, and the antichrist is cast alive into the lake of fire, and they who are left begin to beat their swords into plowshares and pruninghooks. There will be no more weeping mothers to stand and watch their boys go away to war, for Christ has won a battle that will bring peace for a thousand years.

Oh, brother, do you want to be among the number that will rule and reign with Him? You had better enlist in His great army now and get in training as soon as possible.

and three years ago healed me of typhoid fever. I was at death's door but God spared my life. This year I had a bad cancer on my left temple. I requested prayer everywhere I thought they could pray and the Church of God pastor at Guthrie called a fast. I got so weak and nervous I could hardly get around, but, praise the Lord, a few weeks ago the cancer disappeared. I don't know just when it went. I just have a small scar now. Praise the Lord. He has never failed me. Jesus can save and heal the body no matter how deep in sin you have gone. I love the Lord and love your little paper. —Mark Herren.

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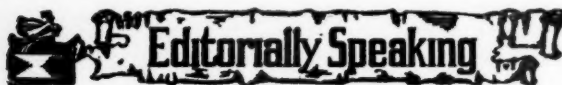
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**In the Fight** "WE have just begun to fight." These were the words of John Paul Jones when he was asked by the Serapis to surrender. A similar phrase to this was oft repeated by President Roosevelt when he was making his second race for the presidency. In war or in politics, the conflict requires ambition, courage, and determination, and those who are weak-kneed and cowardly always meet with a crushing and embarrassing defeat.

The picture does not change in religion. The Apostle Paul oft referred to the Christian life as a fight. This fight is not unlike a war, though its weapons, its tactics, and its objectives are different. "For every battle of the warrior is with confused noise, and garments rolled in blood; but this shall be with burning and fuel of fire," Isa. 9:5.

The reason this conflict is different from the ordinary battle is that it is led by the Prince of Peace. "For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace." The implements of warfare in this great battle are different. "For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds; casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ," 2 Cor. 10:4, 5. The foe in this conflict is not flesh and blood as in an earthly battle, though the conflict is just as real, a conflict of right against wrong, of the way of life against the way of death. "For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places," Eph. 6:12.

The drilling tactics of the army of God, if closely followed, will always bring great results. "Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints," Eph. 6:18. With prayer and faith the Church of God will be able to continue its progress and see great and mighty things accomplished in the name of its Captain, Jesus Christ our Redeemer.

## No Time For Idleness

they have become very familiar.

I once attended a Sunday school where the roll was called and all pupils were required to answer with a scripture verse. When one little boy's name, who was about ten years of age, was called, he scratched his head, looked around, and then quoted, "An idle man's brain is the devil's workshop." It wasn't scripture but perhaps his father had told him that so many times that he thought it was Bible, and it has come true in the lives of boys and grownups as much so as if it were scripture itself.

But idleness of mind does not only prove disastrous in the lives of individuals. Idleness is disastrous to the church. It robs the church of its spiritual power, for where a church is working a church is spiritual and all of the life which exists in a church that is not ever at the post of duty is only superficial. The church that fails to work becomes stagnant. And it was Simms who said, "Stagnation is something worse than death, it is corruption also."

Some have given even a stronger meaning to idleness than not being at work. The great Chinese philosopher Socrates said, "He is not only idle who does nothing, but he is idle who might be better employed." So in reality, idleness is conquered only when we are doing our best. Idleness is conquered in the church only when the church is at its best, thus we have a call, a call upon which life depends, and that call is a call to service.

## GOD NEEDS HELP TOO

James A. Sanaker

God is help in trouble, yet  
He cannot help the ones who fret;  
When Jesus said, "Be of good cheer!"  
He meant that we could conquer fear.

God always answers prayer, but still  
We have to pattern to His will;  
Our Savior prayed, "Thy will be done,"  
And that rule holds for everyone.

God does not do His deeds alone,  
He calls on those who are His own  
To cast aside their doubts and cares  
And help Him answer fervent prayers.

—Gospel Herald.

**Bible Knowledge** The question of religious education in the schools is now being widely discussed. Most religious organizations are afraid of it because they do not wish to have their doctrines trampled upon and the fear comes from the thought of teachers trying to advance the doctrines of their respective churches. But with the toleration that has become and is becoming more and more real in America, it seems to us that there is no reason why America cannot have Christianity taught in the schools, a summary of the creeds and doctrines of all Christian churches, without discrimination, only as a record of what they are, leaving pupils to

choose for themselves. The churches in turn, through daily vacation Bible schools, where the real doctrine of the church could be taught, would give a full answer to the question of doctrines. The foundation of knowledge having been laid in the public schools, it would be easier for the churches, in their daily vacation Bible schools, to give the proper knowledge.

"Real knowledge never promoted either turbulence or unbelief; but its progress is the forerunner of liberality and enlightened toleration."—Lord Bringham. Bible knowledge blazes the way to life and must be properly dispensed for proper and beneficial results.

**No Atheists in Fox Holes** A colonel who has just returned to the United States from Corregidor had this to say as he commented on Bataan's final weeks:

"There was a sergeant in the fox hole, too," he recalled, "and he squeezed to one side to make room for me. Then all hell broke loose and I wasn't surprised to find myself praying. The sergeant was praying, too, almost as loud as I was.

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# The Answered Prayer

By C. W. Collins

*"And he said unto Jesus, Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom. And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, To day shalt thou be with me in paradise," Luke 23:42, 43.*

Now consider the answer to this prayer. He got more than he asked for, just as every one does who asks in faith. He only asked Christ to *remember* him, but Christ answered, "To day shalt thou be with me in paradise." An immediate blessing is promised of fellowship, eternal rest. This is the way Christ answered his prayer.

And now darkness falls upon the earth. The sun hides itself. Worst of all, the Father hides His face from His Son. What else is the meaning of that bitter cry: "My God, My God! why hast thou forsaken me?" Ah, it had been written, "Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree." Jesus was made a curse for us. God cannot look upon sin, and so when even His own Son was bearing our sins in His body, God could not look upon Him. I think this is what bore heaviest upon the Savior's heart in the garden when He prayed, "If it be possible, let this cup pass from me." He could bear the unfaithfulness of His friends, the spite of His enemies, the pain of His crucifixion, and the shadow of death; He could bear all this, but when it came to the hiding of His Father's face, that seemed almost too much for even the Son of God to bear, but even this He endured for our sins. Now the face of God is turned back to us whose sins had turned it away, and looking upon Jesus, the sinless One, He sees us in Him.

In the midst of all His agony, how sweet it must have been to Christ to hear that poor thief confessing Him. He likes to have men confess Him. Don't you remember His asking Peter, "Whom do men say that I am?" and Peter answered, "Some people say you are Moses, some say Elias, and some say one of the prophets." "But, Peter, whom do

you say I am?" When Peter said, "Thou art the Son of God," Jesus blessed him for that confession. Now this thief confesses Him, confesses Him in the darkness. Perhaps it is so dark he cannot see Him any longer; but He feels that He is there beside him. Christ wants us to confess Him in the dark as well as in the light; when it is hard as well as when it is easy, for He was not ashamed of us, but bore our sins and carried our sorrows, even unto death.

When a prominent man dies we are anxious to get his last words and acts. The last act of the Son of God was to save a sinner. That was a part of the glory of His death. He commenced His ministry by saving sinners, and ended it by saving this poor thief. "Shall the prey be taken from the mighty, or the lawful captive delivered? But thus said the Lord; Even the captives of the mighty shall be taken away, and the prey of the terrible shall be delivered." He took this captive from the jaws of death. He was on the borders of hell, and Christ snatched him away. No doubt Satan was saying to himself: "I shall have the soul of that thief pretty soon. He belongs to me. He has been mine all these years." But in his last hours the poor wretch cried out to the Lord, and He snapped the fetters that bound his soul, and set him at liberty; He threw him a passport into heaven.

I can imagine as the soldier drove his spear into our Savior's side, there came flashing into the mind of the thief the words of the prophet Zechariah (13:1), "In that day there shall be a fountain opened to the house of David, and to

the inhabitants of Jerusalem, for sin and for uncleanness." You see in the conversion of this thief that salvation is distinct and separate from works. Some people tell us we have to work to be saved. What has the man who believes that to say about the salvation of this thief? He took the Lord at His word, and believed. It is with the heart men believe, not with their hands or feet. All that is necessary for a man to be saved is to believe with his heart. This thief made a good confession. If he had been a Christian fifty years, he could not have done Christ more service there than he did. He confessed Him before the world; and for nineteen hundred years that confession has been told. Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John all recorded it. They felt it so important that they thought we should have it. See how salvation is separate and distinct from all ordinances, not but that ordinances are right in their places.

Many people think it is impossible for any one to get into the kingdom of God if he is not baptized into it. I know people who were greatly exercised because little children died unbaptized. Some people carry their children through the streets because the pastor cannot come.

I don't want you to think I am talking against ordinances. Baptism is right in its place; but when you put it in the place of salvation, you put a snare in the way. The last conversion before Christ perished on the cross ought to forever settle that question. If you tell me a man cannot get into paradise without being baptized, I answer, This thief was not baptized. If he had wanted to be baptized, I don't believe he could have found a man to baptize him. I have known people who had sick relatives and because they could not get a minister to come to their house and administer the sacrament, they were distressed and troubled. Now, I am not saying anything against the ordinance by which we commemorate the death of our Lord and remember His return. God forbid! But let me say that it is not necessary for salvation. I might die and be lost before I could get to the Lord's table; but if I get to the Lord, I am saved. Thank God, salvation

is within my reach always, and I have to wait for no minister. This poor thief certainly never partook of the sacrament. Was there a man on that hill that would have had faith to believe he was saved? Would any church today have received him into membership? He had not to wait for this. The moment he asked life, our Savior gave

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*A cross—and one who hangs thereon, in sight  
Of heaven and earth.  
The pale, glad lips have breathed the trembling prayer,  
"O Lord, remember me!" The hosts of God  
With wistful angel faces, bending low  
Above their dying King, were surely stirred  
To wonder at the cry. Not one of all  
The shining host had dared to speak to Him  
In that dread hour of woe, when heaven and earth  
Stood trembling and amazed. Yet, lo! the voice  
Of one who speaks to Him, who dares to pray,  
"O Lord, remember me," a sinful man.*



# Church Progressing at West Nashville



WEST NASHVILLE, Tenn.—I was working in Illinois and I liked the state, preachers and the people but there were a few saints at W. Nashville, Tennessee, that were patient, tried and true. They had called on the just Judge and for some reason God saw fit to remove me from the land where I was.

The first Sunday I was there we had fourteen in Sunday school, two of them were my father-in-law and mother-in-law, and five of them were my family. But God said He would give the increase and I stood on His Word.

The Lord has blessed us. In two months the Sunday school grew from fourteen to ninety-one and since that we have had a steady attendance of from seventy to one hundred and fifteen. Our membership has grown from three to fourteen in the last six months. Five have been converted, three sanctified, two baptized with the Holy Ghost, and many revived, and God has wonderfully been with us in every service. We haven't had a revival yet but we expect to start one soon.

Just a little proof of our crowds is the picture of our Sunday school here of one hundred fifteen. The writer, who is pastor, Brother Roy Caraway, superintendent, Brother Cockran, district superintendent, are directly behind the register. In this six months we have remodeled the church inside and now have a piano.

I would like to take just a little space here to praise God for His wonderful healing power. Just this week God has healed my little four-year-old boy. They said he had pneumonia, but, praise God, He can heal anything. Last winter my eight-year-old boy was at death's door. I don't know what the illness was but God healed him. My wife and I both have been healed of appendicitis. My wife has been healed of blindness. We were healed of ptomaine poison and a great many other things.

Please pray for West Nashville, that God will continue to bless us and give us an ingathering of souls.—Rev. James H. Clark.

## Encouraging Revival

LEXINGTON, N. C.—One of the best revivals the Church of God here has had for a long time has just closed. The Lord worked in a great way. The saints were encouraged greatly. Fifteen were saved, nine sanctified and three baptized with the Holy Ghost. Three were added to the church. Rev. J. H. McKinney, of Asheville, N. C., did the preaching. Pray for us at Lexington.—John R. Dendsey.

## Revivals

### A Wonderful Time

BAINBRIDGE, Ga.—We recently closed a wonderful two weeks' Y. P. E. revival here at Bainbridge conducted by Brothers Joseph Daniel and Jimmie Griffin. Many souls were blessed by their wonderful singing and straight-from-the-shoulder preaching. Pray for Bainbridge.—Hays M. Long.

## Let's Win the Prize

HOBBS, N. Mex. — Our revival started on Friday night with our faithful pastor, Brother Suites, and our wonderful state overseer, Brother Ramsey, in charge. As Brother Ramsey started his message, the power fell and we had a wonderful time. Pray that many lost souls will come to God. Pray that we'll have one more revival before Jesus comes and that it may be the best Hobbs has

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## District of Columbia Convention, May 22-24



## Our Mexico Conventions

AT MEXICO CITY AND EMPALME

By J. H. WALKER, General Overseer

Outstanding progress—Most wonderful spirit in business meetings and devotional services—Forty-two persons filled with the Holy Ghost during conventions

We, Brother M. P. Cross, Brother E. C. Clark, and I, who it was finally decided should make the trip to Mexico, went by train. It took us three nights and two days of continual traveling, winding our way through the mountains and valleys of beautiful, scenic, and picturesque Mexico. The people, cities, villages, and countrysides there are always interesting. Quite often we noticed natives breaking their land by ox teams, using one-handed plows. The Mexicans are lovely people, lovers of songs and music, and speak a beautiful Romance language. The climate in Mexico City is ideal. Being 7,444 feet above sea level, it is known as a land of "perpetual spring." They boast of an average temperature of 60 degrees throughout the year, and one must use two blankets to sleep comfortably during the summer. Upon arriving in Mexico City, we found that Brother and Sister Archer and the workers had been laboring for weeks in preparation for our convention there.

The first service was conducted in one of the twelve local Churches of God in Mexico City, where the building was entirely crowded out. The second night we divided speakers and congregations and conducted services in two of the local churches, which were likewise crowded out, and God was with us.

Unfortunately, we were unable to secure the marble palace, located in the center of the city, until Friday evening, where the services were continued through Sunday. Friday night the manager of the Jewish Young Men's Society, who was greatly impressed with our services and who had charge of the palace, said, "Oh, please come Saturday morning and have your service here. We will make other arrangements." We had previously been told that the hall would be occu-

pied Saturday morning; therefore announcements had been made for special services in the local church, where during the day several prayed through to the baptism of the Holy Ghost. The councils of the Mission Board and the brethren were conducted in an adjoining room in the auditorium. I never saw a more wonderful spirit manifested during our business conferences, which were unusually pleasant and without a ripple. The precious words of the psalmist, "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity," were most appropriate for the entire convention.

One of the outstanding features of the meeting was the beautiful singing rendered by the talented Bible School students. Truly we have some wonderful talent in training there now and we were delighted with the outstanding success of our school this year. The faculty is splendid. Professor Gonzalez, a graduate of a prominent college in Mexico City, is one of our principal teachers. The music teacher, Brother Dominguez, is a splendid musician and has done a great work in teaching the students. Since returning to the States, we are informed through a letter from Brother Archer that the wife of Brother Dominguez and the sister of Maria Ortiz, the school-teacher, and three others received the Holy Spirit the following week. In addition to the regular students, there are seventy-three persons taking courses by correspondence. Several of these correspondence students are also teaching other groups, thus benefiting many others. Literally hundreds of people have received the Holy Ghost in Mexico this year.

It was my privilege to go with Brother

Archer, immediately upon our arrival in Mexico, about 200 miles farther south by bus, to visit some of the churches just prior to the convention. Here we met Brother David Arcos, assistant overseer, who had just returned from an outstation still farther away, where he closed a glorious meeting and had been able to organize a church with some forty members.

God most wonderfully blessed every service and seventeen persons were baptized with the Holy Ghost during the convention in Mexico City. Among these were Christian workers and their companions. Fortunately, some from every district throughout the country received the Baptism, thus enabling them to return and spread the fire of Pentecost anew on every district. These people were filled and thrilled with the Holy Ghost and took their liberty and freedom in the Spirit of God. There were some outstanding accounts of the marvelous deliverance of God among the workers on the field, and the progress made there this year is wonderful.

My heart was especially touched as I listened to the workers when they explained how through much persecutions they had labored, carrying the gospel. Brother David Arcos had been whipped and poisoned twice by those who wished to destroy his life and ministry. At one place, where Brother Ruben Arcos was conducting a service, persecutors came and threw a stick of dynamite to blow up the church and kill the people who were in it; but the dynamite struck a post, glanced away from the church, and did no serious damage. At another place, however, the church was burned to the ground.

One priest had served thirty years as a missionary bishop. Through his influence and efforts, Brother David Arcos was caused no end of trouble. He had him put in jail and run from place to place. Finally, Brother Arcos went to him with his Bible, and after a number of hours of citations, he convinced the priest of the truth. He is now a member of the church and doing his bit to spread

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## Montana State Convention, at Lewistown, May 22-24

# Our Most Unusual Group of Orphans



The personnel of this darling set of twins is left Phylis Ann and right Joann Young. These lilies are nothing less than a duet of life and loveliness. They will be six years old July 1.



You are now looking at a very remarkable set of twins. These Young boys, though twins, are very easily differentiated, due to the fact that R. L. has a good sprinkle of deep brown freckles while J. T.'s face missed the freckle shower altogether. They were nine years old April 4 past.



Here are our babies and one has nothing on the other in age or sweetness.

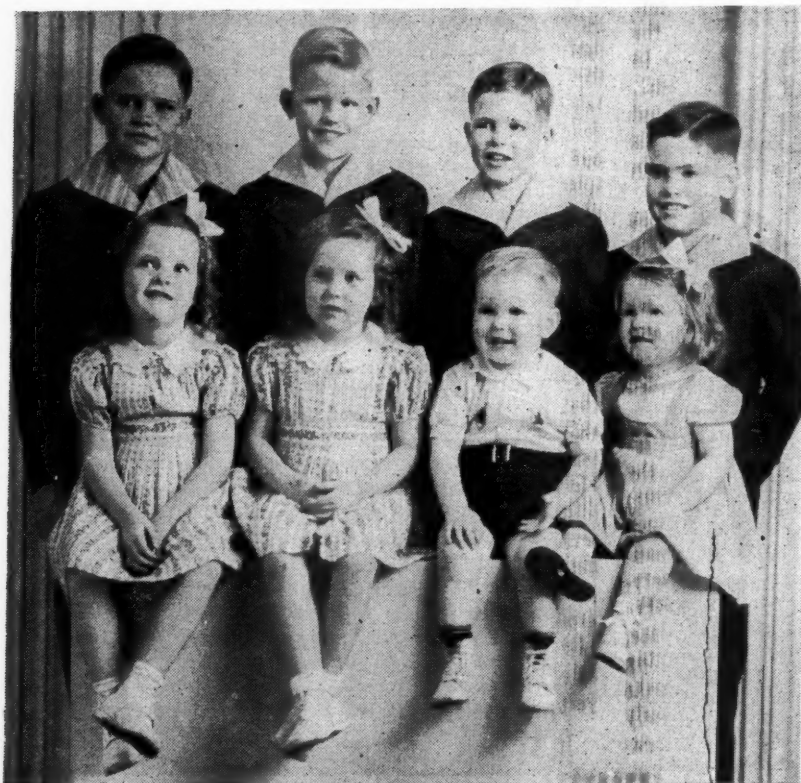
This is our mixed set of twins; namely, Jean and Joan Young. They will be three years old August 14. It is not likely either will be slighted when their birthday rolls around.

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## EIGHT YOUNG YOUNGS

The caption sounds Chinese but you are looking at a real and exceptional red-blooded group of Americans. Reading left to right they are: Top row, James, Frankie, J. T., and R. L.; Bottom row, Phylis Ann, Joann, Jean, and Joan Young.

Frankie will be eleven years old October 16. James will be

thirteen August 14.

These children were left fatherless last August when the father was drowned in an effort to rescue parties on an overloaded and sinking boat.

They came to us from LaFollette, Tenn.

J. D. Bright, Chairman.



# Notes From My Letters . . .

J. H. Walker, General Overseer

Brother Phillips, of Chicago, Illinois, writes to his overseer: "I think that we have sent around thirty Evangel subscriptions since the Assembly. We are moving to the new church this week end, if the Lord permits. We raised \$900 more, making us \$1,500 to pay down on it. We are going to use the basement for a parsonage."

We thank the Lord for this encouraging news.

Brother Houston R. Morehead writes that Cantwell is yet in the most successful revival, the best since he has been in the state, Brother Barnett and Brother C. E. French having worked hard and faithfully in the revival. He states further that the work in general is most promising and encouraging.

Brother W. L. Edgar, pastor, Winnsboro, South Carolina, reports:

"We have had such a wonderful revival here with Brother L. J. Stone and Brother W. T. Gosnell. I just must tell you about it! The meeting went four weeks, the results of which were that twenty-five were filled with the Holy Ghost and twenty-nine united with the Church, about all of which were young people. The church here is really on fire. So pray that the fire will continue to fall."

## One Soldier Leads Another Soldier To God

"Dear Brother Walker:

"In answer to your card we received sometime ago concerning Brother Noel's son who was in Camp Croft, we finally got in contact with him and had him in service last night, February 1. He is a very nice boy and seems to have good victory. He had another young man with him who was gloriously saved. They said they would be back with me tonight in the revival. We are having a grand and glorious revival. We are having a home-coming. Wish that you could be with us. Pray for our success.—Your brother in Christ, K. D. Beaubé, Spartanburg, South Carolina."

I know that Brother and Sister Noel will be happy to know that their boy is again attending the Church of God services regularly. We are certainly thankful to be able to make this contact.

Brother G. F. Carter, LaFrance, South Carolina, writes that they have completed a nice church, 34x60, with five Sunday school rooms, valued at \$3,000,

that was paid for as they went; also a nice parsonage, valued at about \$1,300, with a balance due of about \$800. Recently they had a revival. Brother Patterson did the preaching. Four received the Holy Ghost and seven were added to the church. May God continue to bless and help them there.

Brother V. D. Combs, of Webster, North Carolina, writes:

"The work on the district is progressing nicely with two new parsonages and one other new church building (at Bladenboro) under way; and we are praying that a great revival will sweep eastern North Carolina. Please pray for our continued success."

He has just completed a nice brick veneer building in Wilmington, which has a full-size basement for Sunday school rooms, with a pastor's study and office complete.

Brother A. V. Beaubé, overseer of Georgia, states, "In February we had the best spiritual month we have had since we have been in Georgia. Rejoice with me. A lot of times when you put on a financial drive, it kills the spirituality to some extent; but just to let you know that it is not so with Georgia, I am selecting from my morning mail a card from the extreme northwest section of our state and a letter from the southeastern section and am sending them to you."

Here I quote from the South Georgia letter, from M. B. Norris, Jesup, Georgia:

"The church is on the move in every way. Yesterday our folk met about three o'clock and prayed until we had to start the song service. Six were saved, four sanctified, four received the Holy Ghost, fourteen came into the Church, and the altar was full. New ones are going to the altar every night."

He states in the postscript that there have been twenty-five saved, twenty-one sanctified, and eighteen filled with the Holy Ghost, and sixteen added to the Church in all, and that they are expecting a big baptismal service in the near future.

The information from North Georgia came from Brother Linwood Jacobs, Rome, Ga.:

"Glory, glory, glory! If God be with us, who can be against us. Hallelujah! We have in cash pledges \$100, and possibly more, for the Orphanage. I called

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## Delkograms

D. H. DELK

### False Glory

"It is not good to eat much honey; so for men to search their own glory is not glory," Prov. 25:27.

The glory of the scribes and Pharisees was false, for they sought their own glory; they fed their vanity on vain-glory.

"Smear yourself with honey and you will be devoured by flies." (Mex. Prov.) Smear yourself with pride, and false glory, and the devil will get you.

Glory is false when it is man-made; when it is "I did this, I did that, I bought, I gave," etc.

"Let another man praise thee, and not thine own mouth."

Brag is a good dog, but Holdfast is better.

A boaster and a liar are akin. Great boast, small roast. It takes wisdom, humility and determination to hold down boasting, false glory, etc.

"Though I would desire to glory, I shall not be a fool."

Man's glory is unfertile, empty, and lifeless; it won't uplift, edify, or encourage.

Prov. 25:6 says, "Put not forth thyself." The margin says, "Set not out thy glory."

When Smarty has a party, he may be the only one there.

Well do I remember years ago when I was so proud of the privilege to preach one night, and oh, I set out my glory. But it backfired, and I got befuddled till I didn't know where he was. My glory brought me shame and disgrace, also such a miserable feeling. But that night I well learned that "for men to search their own glory is not glory."

"I mean it means something for all (every thing) to be done to the glory of God. If we sing, preach, work, or even wear a new hat, dress, or suit, etc., the human in us will desire a little vain-glory, flattery, and compliments; therefore, humility is a constant and paramount need.

Compliments are usually given away, but many pay dearly for them.

"If we would not flatter ourselves, the flattery of others could not harm us." (Rochefoucauld)

Flattery is a traitor like Judas; it will correct thee in nothing, and call your evil good.

Consider, study, and know thyself, thine evil as well as thy good, and flattery will not harm thee.

"Why don't you buy something from

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# --- Golden Gleanings ---

FROM HERE . . . . . THERE . . . . . EVERYWHERE

## First Things First!

What should a minister of the gospel do about civilian defense? This question is answered by a writer in *Zion's Herald* in these words: "I talked with a colonel in the Army Reserve Corps. He was very emphatic in his assertion that ministers had no business running about as air-raid wardens or auxiliary police. 'The place of the minister,' said he, bringing his fist down upon his desk, 'is with his people, giving them strength and courage for these perilous times. This is as important as any work in civilian defense.'"

The example of the apostles is noteworthy, in this connection. There were important duties of a temporal nature to be attended to, but the apostles stuck to their spiritual duties regardless. They said, "Let others look after this business, but we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the Word." Acts 6:4.—*Pentecostal Herald*.

## Perilous Inventions

Again and again man has taken that which should be a blessing and turned it into a curse. Especially is this true in the realm of modern inventions. The *New York Sun* referred to this fact when it said, in a recent editorial:

"With a trace of wistfulness, Orville Wright, contemplating the havoc wrought by the airplane in the hands of barbarous men, declares his confidence that the great invention which he and his brother gave to the world will yet prove to be an instrument of lasting peace. Mr. Wright may console himself with the thought that there is nothing, however beneficent, that the hand and brain of man can devise, that may not be made somehow to serve a destructive purpose. When he invented the steam locomotive, Stephenson surely was thinking only of promoting human progress, yet nothing more than the railroad has served to make total war possible. Those who contrived the internal combustion engine could not then know that they were fathering the tank, nor did Robert Fulton foresee the fearful engines of war that have developed from his steamboat. Nobel, in mortification at the ravages of dynamite, bequeathed all his profits to a foundation for promoting world peace, science, and letters. It is probable that Noah regretted his pioneering in viticulture after he learned that the cup that cheers may also inebriate!"

Today, as always, men have gone "a whoring with their own inventions." Psalm 106:39.—*The Pentecostal Evangel*.

## Encouraging Note From Holland

By PASTOR VAN DER WOUDE

Rotterdam, Holland

We are still quite well and the Lord has been blessing us. The work is very encouraging. About twelve recently received the baptism in the Holy Spirit. We are losing some weight, which is not so bad for the very fat ones.

There is quite a departure from the faith in many countries. The Lord has said in His Word that in the last days many will depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits. Even among the Christians this spirit is at work. We need prayer warriors who will call upon God mightily. But, thank the Lord, on the other hand, I see also that God is drawing to Himself those who sincerely seek Him.—*Gospel Call*.

## LIFE'S TASK

Isn't it strange that princes and kings,  
And clowns that caper in sawdust rings,  
And common folk like you and me  
Are builders for eternity?

To each is given a bag of tools,  
A shapeless mass, and a book of rules;  
And each must make, ere life has flown,  
A stumbling-block—or a stepping-stone.

—Unknown.

## Old Courthouse Bell Now Sounds Hour of Worship

BEDFORD, Ind., May 1.—(Special)—The old bell that hung for almost fifty years in the Lawrence county courthouse here will ring again—this time from the belfry of the First Methodist Church.

Once used to warn the citizens of fires, apprise them of momentous happenings and otherwise perform its community function, it has been presented by the Lawrence County Historical Society to the church, where it has recently been hung.

Rev. N. I. Schoolfield, pastor, said the bell will ring every Sunday and Wednesday evening (prayer meeting night in Indiana), but is to be considered as not

strictly a Methodist bell but a call to worship to any church in the city.—P. V.

## "Soul Buffers" Teacher's Legacy To Her Relatives

OMAHA, April 24.—Relatives and friends of the late Miss Georgia E. Packer, veteran Omaha schoolteacher, who died last January, have inherited the "soul buffers from God" that helped Miss Packer through life.

The "buffers," above all earthly value in their original owner's opinion, were willed as follows:

To her mother, who is ninety-five, she bequeathed the "peace which God always kept within my heart." This peace, she remarked in her will which was recently probated, enabled her to refrain from worry. She claimed she worried little in life and none at all at the prospect of death.

Her sister, Mrs. Ida Jolliff, received her "love of things and people." Mr. Jolliff was also remembered with the "double gift of joy and satisfaction."

Among other buffers she distributed to various relatives and friends were her sense of humor, domesticity and the "luxury of friendship."

Miss Packer's will also disposed of her more earthly possessions in the amount of \$11,000.—*The Protestant Voice*.

## Chinese Turn Tables, Help Needy British

NEW YORK, May 1.—(Special)—Refugee students and teachers of China, many of whom live in mud huts and sleep on bare boards, recently sent \$960 in Chinese currency for relief of Christians in England.

The gift was sent by Dr. Francis Chomin Wei, president of Central China College in Kunming, to Dr. William Paton in New York, secretary of the new British Council for Churches, for transmission to London. Dr. Wei called the gift "a token of Christian sympathy and fellowship."

The sum represents contributions from faculty members and students of Central China College and Canton Theological College, both "universities in exile."

The givers are part of a refugee group, of approximately 52,000, who evaded capture by marching 1,500 miles from the eastern part of China into its remote western provinces.—*Protestant Voice*.



# Requests

## For Prayer

*We receive many requests for the salvation of relatives, loved ones, and friends, also for urgent unspoken requests. There are so many of these requests it is impossible to publish them, but we ask that all take these to heart and earnestly pray that the Lord will answer prayer in their behalf. In order for requests to be published they must be signed.*

### Pray For

My husband; the healing of my body.—Mrs. W. B. Minga, Rt. 2, Box 54, Shelby, Miss.

The healing of a woman in the hospital; she had a tumor on her brain and it burst; when the doctors tapped her spine to draw the blood from her brain it caused her to have a stroke of paralysis and her hand is withered away; the healing of my husband.—Mrs. Annie Young, 375 Andrew St., Greenwood, S. C.

The healing of my little neice of double pneumonia and side pleurisy; her father and mother.—Mrs. Ray Eller, Titus, Ga.

A backslider to be healed and saved.—Zyepher Davis, Rt. 1, Troy, Tenn.

An urgent unspoken request; my faith to be increased.—Mrs. Estelle Chambers, R. F. D. 5, Colquitt, Ga.

The healing of my body, I have a broken hip.—Allie A. Tifton, Ravenna, Ky.

Me to be healed of high blood pressure, heart trouble, kidney trouble and cancer, that I will receive the Holy Ghost; my husband to be healed of heart trouble and high blood pressure; my unsaved children.—Mrs. J. E. Birchmore, 859 Tryon St., Columbia, S. C.

My son in the army. His name is Willie England.—Mrs. Lennie England, Sparta, Tenn.

The healing of my head, it has been a lifetime affliction.—Mrs. Marvin Johns, 25 Washington Ave., Sylacauga, Ala.

The healing of my eyes; an unspoken

request; a sister's leg to be healed of a bad sore.—Mrs. Eddie Lou Keahuz, 25 Washington Ave., Sylacauga, Ala.

An unsaved loved one who once knew the Lord.—Mrs. B. F. Bolt, Long Beach, Calif.

The healing of my daddy's body; a special unspoken request.—Miss Wanda Boyles, Box 1042, Elkins, W. Va.

My husband who is in a rundown condition, he is inclined to have low blood pressure and is worn out all the time; one of our church boys who is in the hospital real sick. His name is Edward Hiles and is nine years old.—Mrs. George Short, Box 486, Fairchance, Pa.

An unspoken request; my unsaved loved ones; mother to receive the Holy Ghost.—Miss Hazel Franklin, Windham, Tex.

Me to be healed of broken ulcerated veins which I have suffered with for over eleven years, also gall stones and kidney trouble; me to receive the Holy Ghost, my unsaved children.—Mrs. Christanne V. Cass, Rt. 1, Locust Grove, Okla.

The healing of my body.—Alice Newell, 219 S. 13th Ave., Laurel, Miss.

Me to be healed of kidney trouble and high blood pressure.—Mrs. J. C. Pruitt, Mt. Airy, Ga.

The healing of my body, I am in the hospital.—Maggie Ramey, Laurens, S. C.

The Lord to heal me of high blood pressure and gall bladder trouble.—Mrs. B. F. Allen, Calhoun, Ga.

God to undertake for me in a special way.—Mrs. Daphene Pasley, Rt. 2, Adairsville, Ga.

The healing of my body, also my family; my husband to be healed of epileptic fits; my mother and father to be saved.—Mrs. Thelma Sullins, Rt. 3, Abingdon, Va.

My body to be healed; my daughter to be healed; my two sons in the army.—Mrs. Bessie Cornelius, 1108 Fourth St., W., Cullman, Ala.

Me that God will keep me true to

Him. I am in the army at Abilene, Tex. I surely need your prayers; fast if led.—C. J. Qualls, U. S. Army.

The Lord to heal my body.—Mrs. Ella Jordan, Rt. 2, Hattiesburg, Miss.

Me to be healed of a severe head trouble.—Mrs. Lucy Caldwell, R. F. D. 2, Canton, N. C.

Me to be healed of high blood pressure.—Mrs. J. S. Murray, Rt. 1, Springville, Ala.

Me to be healed of a bad stomach trouble; unspoken request; my aged mother and sister; my husband to be saved.—Mrs. Dave Garlin, Cass Station, Ga.

The healing of my head which has hurt about two weeks, also to be healed of stomach trouble and bad nerves.—Mrs. Harris, Greenville, N. C.

Guy Sweeney, Helen, W. Va., to be healed; he is bedfast in serious condition; his wife to be healed; my mother's body to be healed.—Lilly Hargis, Helen, W. Va.

My mother-in-law who is in bed and in a bad condition, to be healed; me and my family.—Mrs. G. W. Beach, Blue Ridge, Ga.

My complete healing.—Mrs. A. A. Beaubé, Macon, Ga.

The healing of my body.—Mrs. A. L. Querry, Rt. 5, Searcy, Ark.

## Deaths

### MILLER

Sister Mary Miller, a member of the Church of God at Piedmont, Ala., died April 7, 1942, at the age of fifty-one years and five months.—Myrtle Strickland.

### PYATT

Charles Eugene Pyatt was born April 25, 1928, and died suddenly of an accident August 20, 1941. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pyatt, of Warren, Ark.—A friend, Maurine White, Warren, Ark.

### WHITE

Sister Caroline White, a faithful member of the Church of God at Ravenna, Ky., was born December 29, 1863, and died April 8, 1942. She was over seventy-eight years of age.—E. W. Carden, pastor, Ravenna, Ky.

### PHILLIPS

Sister Geneva Phillips, a member of (Continued on page 14)

# District Conventions

## N. Woodville, Michigan, District Convention

The N. Woodville district convention convened in White Cloud April 24-26. Our much esteemed and appreciated district pastor, Brother J. W. Shaw, was in charge and an old-fashioned camp meeting spirit prevailed and the convention was a great success. Brother Shaw put forth every effort to make it one of the best that we have ever had and by the hearty cooperation of the pastors and members on the district God surely honored us.

Brother E. O. Kerce, state overseer of Michigan, was with us and delivered some very inspiring, God-sent messages which stirred our souls, and showers of blessings fell and people shouted the victory.

There were timely messages by different pastors on the district which stirred our souls and inspired the saints to press on in these the closing dark days of war and strife.

The young people had a service Saturday night and if Jesus tarries and the young people go on with God under His anointing as they had it at their service, surely God will do great things for the Church.

Sunday, the last day of the convention, was a high day in Zion as the people from all over the district gathered with victory and in unity and all present were able to say, "Surely it was good for us to be here."

Brother E. O. Kerce, who is greatly appreciated in this part of Michigan, brought a God-sent message on missions and God wonderfully moved in our midst and an offering of \$100.00 was raised, doubling the offering of last year.

In the closing afternoon service Brother J. W. Shaw brought us a message on the orphanage work and truly our hearts were greatly touched and \$30.50 was raised for them.

We were favored in the closing service to have with us a group of the colored people from the Church of God in Christ who sang and played some very good and inspiring songs.

As the convention came to a close with the presence of the glory of God in our midst, one man present said that he didn't know there was so much fire and victory in the country but, praise the Lord, though up in the north country, we have the presence and joy of the Lord and earnestly covet the prayers of God's people that the good old-fashioned camp meeting spirit will stay in our

midst.—Armeline N. Cousineau.

## Convention on the Eastern Shore of Maryland

On Friday, April 17, we met at Crisfield, Maryland for the Crisfield district meeting and the good feeling enjoyed at the Easton convention was carried right on into this great meeting at Crisfield. This city is one of the danger zones and signs of war are everywhere, but the Holy Ghost was there to remind us that He will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are stayed on Him. Wave after wave of glory came down to warm, bless, and encourage our souls. We were royally entertained by the good sisters there and the visiting delegates remarked that it was the finest entertainment ever enjoyed.

Our orphanage offering amounted to \$20.00. On Sunday afternoon we had our mission service and words fail the writer when we try to describe it. It was wonderful. The final count of the offering amounted to \$100.00. We also enjoyed some of the finest preaching ever heard by men of God. The district pastor, Brother C. H. Shaw, deserves the credit for helping to make this meeting a glorious success and we will long remember this meeting. All in all the work on the Eastern shore is moving onward and upward.—D. C. Boatwright, overseer.

## Rock Hill, South Carolina, District Convention

The Rock Hill, S. C., district convention of the Church of God convened at the Rock Hill church March 13-15, with Brother M. P. Cross, state overseer, and Brother C. M. Jenkerson, district overseer, in charge. We praise the Lord for the way He met with us in these services from the very beginning until the last good-byes were spoken. At the opening service Brother L. W. McIntyre, of Charleston, delivered a soul-stirring message. Following this was an evangelistic message by Brother E. M. Mortenson, of Columbia, which was Spirit-filled and enjoyed.

Saturday morning there was good music, singing, and praying, followed by business. Brothers W. C. Lee, W. C. King, R. S. Barnes, Sister Cross, our state overseer's wife, and Brother W. M. Morrow, were speakers. Brother M. P. Cross gave a talk on "My Missionary Trip to Haiti" which was very good. God moved upon hearts and the total offering received was \$300. Sunday afternoon we had reports from our L. W. W. B's on

the district and a drive was made for the Evangel. After a message by Brother M. G. Quinton \$15.00 was raised for the orphan children.

Truly, we thank the Lord for this wonderful convention and we ask that you continue to pray for us here at Rock Hill, that the Lord will use us for His glory.—Mrs. Julia Turner.

## Omaha, Nebraska, District Convention

The Omaha district convention is now history. Another milestone has been passed. The Church of God folk here in Nebraska have squared their shoulders to meet the future with greater zeal and renewed courage. Truly this was a great convention. Brother Wilma Henry, state overseer, was in charge, giving advice where needed and speaking encouraging words to everyone. Brother Henry brought a group of ministers from Kansas and they certainly added much to the convention by their inspiring messages. Brother W. H. Pugh, of Weir, Brother Ray, now working in Kansas, Brother J. E. Goins, of Marysville, Kansas, a Baptist minister who came up to cast his lot with us, and Brother Eason, pastor at Independence, Kansas, were speakers.

Sunday morning Sister Maud Vanderford, who has oversight of the work at Wymore, spoke about the orphanage and every heart was touched as she unfolded the great work being done there. Brother Henry spoke and the mission offering received was \$50.00. The orphanage offering was \$7.00. We have only two small churches, with less than twenty-five in membership. Sixteen new subscriptions for the Evangel were received and there were nine new additions to the church here in Omaha, including two preachers with good reports. If soul winning is your aim, you could not find a better field to work in than here in Nebraska. Pray for us.—Ernest W. Wilson.

## Greensboro, N. C., S. S. and Y. P. E. Convention

On Saturday evening the Spirit of the Lord seemed to lead as Brother Glynn Weatherby directed the singing. Short talks were given by various pastors on the district. Rev. John L. Stephens and Brother Garland Grooms brought timely messages concerning our orphans, after which an offering of almost \$400.00 was taken. Our hearts were made to rejoice as we saw the Spirit of God work through individuals in this offering.

We appreciate the good work that is being done by our state superintendent, Brother Ralph Williams, and our district superintendent, Brother Comer. The example they set in giving and cooperat-



ing with each other was wonderful. Junior Y. P. E., daily vacation Bible school, S. S. teachers' meetings, evangelistic clubs, and many helpful subjects were mentioned to cause the young people to catch the vision of the work we can do in the Church program.—Beatrice Dodson, 204 Newlyn St.

### **Tampa, Florida, District Convention**

The Tampa, Fla., district convention convened April 18, 19, at the Tarpon Springs church with our district overseer, Brother G. C. Hamby, in charge. The Lord was in our midst and blessed our souls.

After the devotional service Brother H. S. Snow, pastor at Tarpon Springs, spoke on "Why We Are Here." Brother J. B. Ellis, Jr., pastor at Largo, gave some special remarks on the convention. Brother V. B. Raines, pastor at Sulphur Springs, then spoke. After this an old time Holy Ghost testimony service was conducted by Brother H. B. Braswell, pastor at Lake Thonotosassa. On Sunday morning after the choir singing, specials were rendered by the Clearwater Quartet and the Lazo sisters of Sulphur Springs.

The Sunday morning message, "Mission of the Church," was delivered by our esteemed state overseer, Brother J. C. Jernigan. The offering amounted to \$363.19, which was more than our district offering last year. Every church on the district brought a good offering, with Tampa in the lead.

At 1:45 p. m. the choir was filled with singers. The afternoon message was brought by Brother J. A. Self, pastor at Clearwater. After the sermon the pastors on the district gave their reports on the Y. P. E. and L. W. W. B. Brother J. C. Jernigan spoke on the Florida state camp meeting. Then we dismissed. Pray for us on the Tampa district.—Wm. F. Gillette, Rt. 3, Box 324.

### **Delbarton and Matewan Districts Convention**

The Delbarton and Matewan, W. Va., districts convention convened at the Williamson courthouse at Williamson, April 24-26. The Friday services included several good messages: a short talk by Brother B. L. Hicks, state overseer, welcome by Rev. H. H. Tygart, and a wonderful message by Brother Roy Marcum, of Columbus, Ohio.

On Saturday we had a scripture reading by Brother Hicks, special singing by Sister Bridges and Mary Burnett, a message by Brother Russell Ford, special singing by Sister Ford and Sister Hall, music by the Wilsendale string band, a Y. P. E. service conducted by Sister Mary Burnett, and a short talk by

our state Sunday school and Y. P. E. superintendent. Our offering for Brother Bridges amounted to \$30.07:

The Sunday services held many good talks and sermons for us. Brother Shephard, Brother Bridges, Brother E. R. Noel, of Wilsendale, Brother W. J. Blair and Brother B. L. Hicks brought wonderful sermons and talks. All pastors turned in mission offerings which amounted to \$254.08.

A wonderful program was given by the L. W. W. B. of Delbarton Saturday evening.

I am sure this convention was enjoyed by everyone. We give God the praise for such good attendance and His many blessings. We ask everyone to pray that we will keep on fire for God and that we will soon have a Church of God building in Williamson. — Sister Mae Ward.

### **Schoolfield, Va., District Convention**

The Lord blessed in a mighty way at the Schoolfield district convention and I was gloriously refreshed. The power of God was there. The messages from the different preachers were heart-rending. Praise God for the Church of God.—Florence Bailey.

### **The Answered Prayer**

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Baptism is one thing, the Lord's supper is another thing, salvation through Christ is another thing. If we have been saved through Christ, let us confess Him by baptism. Let us go to His table, and do whatever else He bids. But let us not make stumbling-blocks out of these things, that is, what I call sudden conversion—men calling on God for salvation and getting it. You certainly won't get it unless you call for it, and unless you take it when He offers it to you. If you want Christ to remember you, to save you, call upon Him.

The cross of Christ divides all mankind. There are only two sides, those for Christ and those against Him. Think of the two thieves. From one side of Christ one went down to death cursing God, from the other side the other went to glory. What a contrast! In the morning he is led out, a condemned criminal; in the evening he is singing hallelujah with a choir of angels. In the morning he is condemned by men as not fit to live on earth; in the evening he is reckoned good enough for heaven. In the morning nailed to the cross; in the evening in the paradise of God, crowned with a crown he shall wear through all the ages. In the morning not an eye to pity; in the evening washed and made clean in the blood of the Lamb. In the morning in the so-

ciety of thieves and outcasts; in the evening Christ is not ashamed to walk arm in arm with him down the golden pavements of the eternal city. He was the first man to enter paradise after the veil of the temple was rent. If we could look up yonder, and catch a glimpse of the throne, we would see the Father there and Jesus Christ at His right hand, and hard by we would see the thief. He is there today. Nineteen hundred years he has been there, just because he cried in faith: "Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom."

You know Christ died a little while before the thief. I can imagine that He wanted to hurry home to get a place ready for His new friend, the first soul brought from the world He was dying to redeem. The Lord loved him because he had confessed Him in that dark hour. It was a dark hour for many who reviled the Savior. You have heard of the child who did not want to die and go to heaven because he didn't know anybody there, but the thief would have one acquaintance. I can imagine how his soul leaped within him when he saw the spear thrust into our Savior's side, and heard the cry: "It is finished." He wanted to follow Christ. He was in a hurry to be gone, when they came to break his legs. I can hear the Lord calling: "Gabriel, prepare a chariot. Make haste. There is a friend of mine hanging on the cross. They are breaking his legs. He will soon be ready to come. Make haste, and bring him to me." The angel in the chariot swept down from heaven, took the soul of that penitent thief and hastened back to glory. The gates of the city swung wide open and the angels shouted welcome to this poor sinner who had been washed white in the blood of the Lamb. And that, my friends, is just what Christ wants to do for you. That is His business on which He came down from heaven. That is why He died, and if He gave such a swift salvation to this poor thief on the cross, surely He will give you the same, if, like the penitent thief, you repent and confess, and trust in the Savior.

Somebody says that this man "was saved at the eleventh hour." I don't know about that. It might have been the first hour with him. Perhaps he never knew of Christ until he was led out to die beside Him. This may have been the very first time he ever had a chance to know the Son of God. How many of you gave your hearts to Christ the very first time He asked you? Are you not farther along in the day than even that poor thief? Some time ago, a young man refused to go from the altar until he made peace with Jesus. The next day he went down into the pit and the coal fell in on him. When they took him out he was broken and mangled and had only two

or three minutes to live. His friends gathered about him, saw his lips moving, and bending down to catch his words, they heard him say, "It was a good thing I settled it last night."

### Notes From My Letters

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Brother Durden over the telephone, and we had a great time together. The altar was filled yesterday and five were filled with the Holy Ghost, and a number prayed through. The entire front was filled with seekers. Help us shout. Hallelujah!"

### Delkograms

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me?" asked the girl at the bazaar table. "I only buy from the homely girls, for it's harder for them to make sales," said the man. The girl smiled and he went on making the same excuse to all.

False glory's reward is short and leaves its victim so destitute and hopeless.

"What will ye do in the day of visitation, and in the desolation which shall come from far? to whom will ye flee for help? and where will ye leave (deposit) your glory?"

### Editorially Speaking

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"When the attack was over, I turned to him and said, 'Sergeant, I noticed you were praying.'

"'Yes, sir, I was. There are no atheists in fox holes,' he replied."

The colonel and sergeant are right—"there are no atheists in fox holes."

When men who have been taught the way of Christianity, come to the end of self reliance and realize that there is no natural help for them, they most invariably call upon the God of heaven for help.

### Deaths

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the Abbs Valley, Va., church, age twenty years, departed this life April 27, 1942, as the result of a car wreck April 26. Sister Geneva was converted several years ago in the Bible Training School. She was a faithful worker for the Lord.—Her former pastor, A. J. Cox.

### HARMESON

Levi Harmeson, seventy-eight years old, of Ryder, N. Dak., departed this life March 17, 1942. He was a faithful Christian to the last.—Lemuell Johnson, pastor.

### OVERSHINER

Samuel Overshiner, of Minot, departed this life March 10, 1942. His last words were, "I'm ready to go."—Lemuell

Johnson, pastor, Box 1894, Minot, N. Dak.

### Revivals

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ever had. Pray that sinners may tarry as in the days of old until they are saved, sanctified and filled with the good Holy Ghost, not the kind that won't last until they get home, but that they will be faithful till Jesus comes for His own. Jesus didn't only say we must be born again but He also said that we must be without spot or wrinkle and when Jesus comes there'll be no time to do any ironing. Saints, let us not look back. Let us look up, press on to win the prize at the end of the journey.—Mother Glasspoole.

### Mission Page

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the gospel he once destroyed.

In sections of the country persecutions are quite severe. The story was told me of our friend, Leonard Ingram, an English missionary, (incidentally, no relative of Brother J. H. Ingram). In one of the nearby cities a few days before we arrived in Mexico, he was knocked from his bicycle and badly beaten. As he fell from the sidewalk against a door, a friend jerked him inside and closed the door. A mob of some two hundred waited into the late hours of night, evidently with the intention of killing him; but a friend slipped from the house and brought the news to other friends, who slipped in the back way and rescued the brother.

Right here, I should like to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to the various officials of the Mexican Government for the courtesies extended to the Church. Two attorneys have been gloriously converted and filled with the Holy Ghost. They have rendered invaluable service in the promotion of the work in the Church in Mexico. During the convention the Government reported to Brother Garcia, our attorney, that the last hindrance had been removed and we were privileged to occupy one of the large temples for our church services.

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On Monday, April 20, we boarded the train and rode over to the Pacific Ocean and for two days and two nights we rode up the northwest coast. About four o'clock the second afternoon the train stopped in San Blas for thirty minutes, giving us time to run over to our church and take a picture of it and some of our workers. Then quite a large number of our people boarded the train and went with us on to the convention. That night we stopped in Navojua, Sonora, where our people had erected a beautiful white church, approximately 26x40 feet, the roof of which was supplied by the Mis-

sion Board. They had nice beautiful seats with a tile floor throughout the entire building and a nice large baptistry beneath the rostrum. We dedicated this beautiful little building, which Brother Alejandro Portugal, Sr., a blind minister and his son built with the cooperation of their people, and Brother Gonzalez baptized eleven persons in the new pool. Our hearts were encouraged to see this monument to their faithfulness, for they had worked five years, saving their money, to make possible the erection of this church.

After the service, at midnight, we left by station wagon to Ciudad, Obregon, arriving about 2:30 a. m. Here we had a wonderful service at the church where five years ago I visited. The building was only about one-fourth the size it is now. Then the doors were locked, the windows barred; and the entrance we used was through the back, as no churches were permitted to have open services at that time. God was with us, as He was five years ago. Some of those converted during our first visit still have victory and are today missionaries.

After the service that night, about 10:30, we caught the only train and rode until about 3 a. m., when we arrived at Guaymas. After a little rest, we went to Empalme, about four miles from Guaymas, where we had the convention of the Northwest territory. Brother Billie Perez and his faithful wife, Brother Fernando A. Gonzalez, and Sister Atkinson had made preparation for the convention there. The church building, which had been increased to twice its original size, was filled to overflowing at the first service. Here we were royally entertained in the home of Brother Catarino Robles, a business man, whose business included an undertaking establishment and also general merchandise. He had been converted a week prior to the convention in a meeting conducted by Sister Atkinson.

This was the second convention the Northwest territory has been permitted to have since all the churches were closed by the Government a few years ago. The churches in that territory have made wonderful progress, and the workers have established as many churches this past year as were previously established in that territory prior to this time.

A former Methodist minister, who recently received the baptism of the Holy Ghost and who united with the Church during the convention, feels that he knows of eighteen other churches that will likewise desire union with the Church of God. Another minister also united with the Church and feels that two other congregations will readily accept the gospel. God is pouring out His Spirit in a wonderful way in that section



of the country. During this convention twenty-five received the Holy Ghost. Among this number were the wife and son of the blind minister of Navojoa, and our minister from San Blas, who had been seeking the Blessing for a number of years in the States before he left California, also others of our workers who had not already received the Holy Ghost.

Brother Perez, once a featherweight boxer, who never lost a bout (but whom the Lord knocked out the first round several years ago), is now delivering constant blows to the enemy and scoring decisions and knockouts. Recently the Mexican Government gave him the land on which to build his church at Guaymas. He pastors three churches and takes care of the large work at Empalme, where the Southern Pacific Railroad Company so liberally contributed materials for the enlargement of the church. Brother Perez and his faithful companion are hard workers. He told me that each week they walked twelve miles through the mountains to one of their services. He said that one night on one of these trips they encountered eighty snakes, some of them rattlers. Our brother has been bitten twice while traveling at night. He hopes to secure a pony so that he may more successfully make the trips.

My heart was greatly touched by the testimony of our Indian preacher of the Yaqui Tribe (who had once been a high officer in the Mexican Army, but was gloriously converted and is now preaching to his own people in their Yaqui language) as he pled with us brethren to remember especially his people, for he said sadly, "By nature we were a mean people, and, oh, how we need God!"

Words fail me to try to describe my impression of the conventions in Mexico. There were times in the services when waves of old time Pentecostal power would sweep the entire congregation. Memories of these conventions and the faithful work done by the precious people there will always be precious. The untiring efforts of Brother J. H. Ingram, who for many years has labored faithfully among the Spanish-speaking peoples and who has proved himself such a valuable missionary to the work of the Church of God, did all, it seems, he could to make these conventions a success. Brother Fernando A. Gonzalez, whose inspiring message the brethren who were present at our last General Assembly, will remember, was with us at both conventions—the Mexico City convention and the one in Empalme—with all the fire and enthusiasm, love and inspiration one could hope for. The self-sacrificing efforts of Brother and Sister Archer in laboring with the school in Mexico City

is certainly appreciated; and we wish to express our sincere appreciation to all our interpreters—Brother and Sister Archer, Brother Ingram, and Brother Alejandro Portugal, Jr., for their faithful work.

The brethren and I stood the trip nicely in spite of the strenuous hours of travel under the varying climates and altitudes and long hours of service. I think that I was the worst affected, apparently by an attack of flu, which had

me down for part of two days while we were in the home of Brother Robles, the business man. Brother Clark came to my bedside and said, "Just take it easy, Brother Walker. You are already in the hands of the undertaker." Well, that seemed too real, and it wasn't long before I came out of that bed.

If some people knew as much as they think they know they could cease to advertise themselves; others would do this important job for them without cost.

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